

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6428
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ULTRA HIGH FREQUENCY EQUIPMENT
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether due to lack of proper planning in the Telecom instalation in Hubli in Karnataka Circle, 2, packages of 2 GHz30 Chennel Ultra High Frequency Equipment and Antenna worth Rs. 16.48 lakhs have been lying idle since 1996;
- (b) if so, the reasons for not utilizing the equipment in any other Circle in the country;
- (c) whether the Government have initiated any action against the erring officials for causing such a huge loss to the exchequer;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

- (a) No, Sir. The ultra high frequency equipment was diverted to Maharashtra Circle in December 1997 and commissioned in February, 1998.
- (b) to (e): Do not arise in view of (a) above.